

## VERDICT FOR MCQUARY

Mr. McQuary Given Right to Purchase 71,000 Acres in Barry County.

J. H. McQuary was given the right to purchase 71,000 acres of land in Barry county from the Missouri Land Company of Scotland by a decree given by Judge Neville in circuit court Friday. By the terms of the judgment Mr. McQuary must pay into circuit court on or before April 10, \$30,000 of the \$213,000 purchase price originally agreed upon by Mr. McQuary and the Scotch company. If the payment is not made by April 10 the property will be foreclosed, the decree recites.

Mr. McQuary and the Scotch company entered into an agreement in 1905 whereby Mr. McQuary was to pay \$213,000 for the 71,000 acres of land. The company refused afterwards to accept tender of the first part of the purchase price saying that the time for such payment had expired. Mr. McQuary contended that the time had not expired and on April 11, 1906 filed suit against the Scotch company. The action was brought in Barry county and came to Green county on change of venue. The suit sought to make the company comply with the agreement to sell.—Springfield Republican.

### Seniors Entertained.

Miss Lillian Allen entertained the Seniors and their friends at her home on Euclid Ave. St. Patrick's night, March 17. The house was artistically decorated in the appropriate colors (also the class colors) Green and White.

The evening was spent in games and music. There was also a flash light picture taken of the Seniors and other guests.

A lap-luncheon was served, consisting of two courses.

About twelve the guests departed declaring they had spent a very pleasant evening.

The following were present:—Misses Grace Whitlatch, Mabel Moses, Opal Armstrong, Nevada Overton, Edna Standridge, Geneva Parsons, May Randolph, Addie Nordin, Flora McCormick, Lola Snider, May Brown, Eunice Horine, Maude McIntosh, Grace Johnston, Messrs. Roy Parker, Earl Callaway, Lawson Nordin, Frank Geister, Dorris Bennett, Ed McMillan, Edgar Price, Fred Ragain, Ernest Ferguson, Edwin Johnson, Alfred Long, Edgar Bear, Charles Fowler, Paul Breese, Arthur Anderson.

### The Ward Primaries.

Primaries were held by both parties in the different wards Friday night. In the first ward the candidates to be elected for councilmen were: Democrat, Jack Taylor; Republican, Leroy Jeffries. Second ward: Democrat, W. J. Mills; Republican, L. B. Jones. Third ward: Democrat, John Walsh; Republican, W. W. Campbell. Fourth ward: Democrat, Geo. Schafnet; Republican, Chas. Vaughn. The committee men selected by the Democratic primaries were: First ward, J. E. Sater; Second ward, P. Short; Third ward, T. J. Rowden; W. S. Blannerhasset.

### Verona News

From The Advocate.

Frank Pachol of Monett spent Sunday in Verona with relatives.

Mrs. G. A. Browning visited at Monett last Sunday.

Richard White was in Monett Saturday afternoon looking after the insurance business.

Homer Morris was at Monett Monday afternoon on business.

Miss Effie Robinson spent Saturday and Sunday visiting her sister, Mrs. Dora Lenhart.

W. L. Lampert spent Saturday afternoon in Monett looking after the interests of his pupils who are studying for the railroad mail services.

Mrs. Agnes Garrott and Miss Carrie Newman spent Wednesday afternoon in Monett.

Misses Blanch Clutter and Berenice Downs attended the closing exercises at Pleasant Dale school Friday. They report a fine program and large crowd of visitors.

## CONDUCTOR HUFFMAN KILLED

Fall Between Cars at Sparta and Instantly Killed.

John B. Huffman, one of the popular Frisco conductors, whose home is in Springfield, fell from the top of a car at Sparta, in Christian county, Friday and was crushed to death beneath the wheels. He was with a tie train that was switching in the Sparta yards. When the cars bumped together he lost his balance and fell between the cars. Three wheels passed over his body at the shoulders.

The body was taken to Springfield by special train from which place the funeral will be conducted by the O. R. C. and Odd Fellows. Conductor Huffman had been between Springfield and Monett but was recently transferred to the Chadwick branch.

### A Correction.

In our Friday's TIMES, in the Lawrence county court proceedings a typographical error was made in statement of the case of State vs. John Shoner for illegal sale of liquor. The TIMES stated that he pleaded guilty and was assessed a fine of \$40. The fact was that the case was not tried at that time but was set for March 19. We are very sorry that the mistake was made. It was caused by the compositor missing a few lines of copy.

### Missionary Meeting.

The Home Missionary society of the M. E. Church South met with Mrs. C. M. Todd Friday afternoon. Mrs. Todd was assisted by Mrs. Andy Hawkins and Mrs. Pfauentstiel. A missionary program interspersed with music was enjoyed. The newly elected officers were installed. Mrs. H. I. Bradford and Mrs. W. A. Watson were each presented a set of spoons as a token of appreciation for their long service as president and treasurer respectively.

### Primaries Endorsed.

The Democratic delegates from the various wards met in city hall and endorsed the work of the wards. They also endorsed the administration of affairs during the past year of Mayor Perry Short. A motion was made and carried recommending John T. Burgess and H. I. Bradford for school directors.

Jas. Steele and family will move to Tulsa Monday.

R. D. Lenhart returned to his home at Aurora Saturday.

Tom Biggs has moved into W. P. Williams house on Ninth street.

Miss Alice Saulsbury of Peirce City visited Mrs. Alvin Cox Friday.

Miss Maud Northcutt of Fairview is visiting her aunt, Mrs. O. Barker.

J. B. Kirkpatrick has returned to Lawton, Okla.

Alvin Donabac, who had pneumonia, is recovering.

Mrs. A. Clark is making extensive improvements on her residence on Fifth street.

Mrs. W. E. Brown returned Friday night from a six weeks visit in St. Joseph.

Misses Gretchen Armstrong and Ina Boucher, of Purdy visited in Monett Friday night.

Arthur Russey has purchased Mrs. Geister's house on Eighth street and is moving in.

Robt. Cairns, of Sapulpa, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Cairns.

Mrs. Geo. Morrow attended a reception given by Mrs. Geo. Hubbert and Mrs. Fred Hubbert at Neosho Wednesday.

The social given by the Baptist Busy Bees at the home of Mrs. Frank Rowden Friday night was well attended. The young people enjoyed the evening very much. They made about ten dollars which will be added to the church building fund.

A very pleasant social event occurred Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Boyer the occasion being a surprise party in honor of Master Paul's fifteenth birthday. About forty young people were present. In the decorations and refreshments the St. Patrick colors prevailed. In an interesting contest in seeing, feeling, tasting, smelling and hearing, Miss Vera Feist proved successful.

## PASSED ON TO HISTORY



### Missionary Meeting.

The Home Mission Society of the M. E. Church South met at the home of Mrs. Todd with forty-two ladies in attendance. A very fine report of the years work was given by Mrs. W. A. Watson. Mrs. H. I. Bradford, the outgoing president and Mrs. Watson, treasurer were presented with a set of silver teaspoons as a token of the appreciation of the society for their faithfulness in the past. Eight new members were enrolled at this meeting. Bro. McCrory installed the officers for the ensuing year as follows:—Mrs. Todd, Pres.; Mrs. Pfauentstiel, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Short, 2nd Vice Pres.; Mrs. McCrory, 3rd Vice Pres.; Mrs. Watson, Treas.; Mrs. Taylor, Cor. Sec.; Mrs. Peck, Rec. Sec.; Mrs. Hall Agent for Our Home. Mrs. Todd, assisted by Mesdames Hawkins and Pfauentstiel served delicious refreshments.

A nice line of stamped wood for pyrograph burning at Otterman's 2nd door north of post office.

A New Yorkman dropped dead on hearing that \$10,000,000 had been left him. Try it on an editor.

The six weeks are up and the festive ground hog is gambling on the green. If you don't like the present brand of weather you are hard to please.

Missouri imports \$2,000,000 worth of butter annually and yet their are those who are afraid that dairying won't pay.

The Atlanta Constitution very truthfully says: "The demand for goodroads is fast becoming a great national movement as good roads have become a recognized national necessity. And in the same proportion government aid in the development of good roads is a recognized national duty. It is one of the few ways by which the general government can make direct and adequate return to those who pay the bulk of billion dollars in taxes which every year it collects from them for its support."

Mayor Perry Short returned Sunday night from Chicago with Mrs. Short who had been in the hospital in that city, where she underwent an operation for cancer of the breast. Mrs. Short has almost entirely recovered from the effects of the operation.

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### HE CHOSE LESSER OF EVILS

Philadelphia Man Understood Nature of Partner of His Joys and Sorrows.

The young wife of a Philadelphia man, who is not especially sweet-tempered, one day approached her lord touching the matter of one hundred dollars or so.

"I'd like to let you have it, my dear," began the husband, "but the fact is I haven't that amount in bank this morning—that is to say, I haven't that amount to spare, inasmuch as I must take up a note for \$200 this afternoon."

"Oh, very well, James?" said the wife, with ominous calmness. "If you think the man who holds the note can make things anything hotter for you than I can—why, do as you say, James?"

She got the money.—Harper's Weekly.

### TROUBLE.

"So," said the cheery bore, "you have purchased an automobile?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Sirius Barker.

"Causes you a heap of trouble, doesn't it?"

"Yes."

"Electricity's been going wrong, eh?"

"Not yet."

"Carburetor out of order?"

"No."

"Spark plug to the bad?"

"Not that I know of."

"Then how is it causing you trouble?"

"By encouraging people to stand around and try to make funny remarks."

### WHERE THEY LEAVE IT.

"Is it true," asked the philanthropic foreign lady of the New Yorker, "that a great deal of the money of your wealthy upper class goes into the slums?"

"Yes, Oh, my, yes!" earnestly rejoined the New Yorker.

"Ah, it is fine to know that philanthropy is in the hearts of so many of your rich ones! And, pray, do they leave their money in the right places?"

"Well—they usually know where the sights are!"

### FLOATS IN EVERY LAND.

In responding to the toast, "The Red Cross," recently, Miss Mabel Boardman said that about 35,000,000 of the Red Cross stamps had been sold for the benefit of tuberculosis work. "Whether or not it is true," she said, "that the sun never sets on the flag of this country, is a question for geographers to decide. But there is a flag on which I know the sun never sets, and that is the flag of humanity for which the Red Cross stands."

### ONE PECULIARITY.

"There was one thing about Ceylon that must have been particularly interesting to our sailors."

"What was that?"

"They saw the island from which a great deal of the Ceylon tea does not come."

### FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

"That lawyer is very tricky," said Mr. Cumrox. "I wouldn't think of meeting him socially."

"Neither would I," answered Mr. Dustin Stax, "but you might give me his office address."

### NO DOUBT.

"I see that Barnett Wendell's lectures on 'The Privileged Classes' are to be published in book form. Who will read them?"

"The privileged classes, no doubt."

## ENGINE TURNED OVER.

Engineer Pelham and Fireman Rutherford Injured.

Sunday afternoon a Frisco engine ran off the track a short distance west of Yinita, Okla., and was overturned injuring Engineer Pelham and Fireman Rutherford, both of this city.

The engine and caboose was backing down the track when the tender struck some kind of an obstruction carrying the engine with it.

Both men were caught in the cab but managed to find a hole large enough to crawl through. They were considerably burned and bruised but not seriously. Engineer Pelham sustained a severe sprain of the back but will be able to be out again in a short time.

### Resolutions.

Monett Mo.,  
March 20, 1909.

We, the employees of the Kansas City Car Building and Contracting Company, desire to express our appreciation to President Mills and Manager E. O. Brown of the Car Company, and to C. W. Lehnardt, John Salzer, Durnil Dry Goods Company, R. M. Callaway, Sol Newman, F. A. Wightman and Davis & Chapell for their assistance and hearty co-operation and successful culmination of their efforts to finance the Car Company and keep the shop here in operation during this period of uncertainty on the part of the railroad, thereby furnishing all employment at full time and pay.

Through their efforts we are able to meet our obligations and maintain our families, where otherwise might have caused us great inconvenience. In testimony to these gentlemen and to the merchants in general who have promised assistance in this matter, believing as we do that this arrangement will be of mutual interest to all concerned, we hereby attest our seal and signatures of the officers of Car Builders Local Number 442, and order that copies of this resolution be furnished to the press for publication.

J. A. Barkley, Chief Carman.  
[Seal] Otto Karn, Rec. Sec.  
W. S. Brown, Fin. Sec.  
Done at meeting this  
20th day of March, 1909.

### Cassville News.

From The Democrat.

The ferry boat at the junction of White and Kings River, at what is known as the old Morris Ferry, broke loose last week, started down stream and drowned seven head of cattle. Two men that were on the boat with their horses, swam out by their horses tails. We hear the boat is back in position.

J. H. McGuffin left for Sinton, Texas, Saturday morning. We wish him the greatest success.

Rev. E. W. Love has been elected pastor of the Purdy Presbyterian Church. His time will be divided between the two churches.

Robt. Atkinson is working in the U. S. Naval yards at San Francisco, as a carpenter. Success to you Bob.

The residence on the W. A. Boucher farm 3 1/2 miles west of Cassville burned yesterday Friday morning. Loren Blankenship resided there and it is reported that very little was saved.

J. A. England, W. E. Hankins and D. A. Utter went to Cassville, the 9th, and finished paying off the bonds against the Shady Grove school district. This district is now out of debt and our tax rate will be less than it has been for several years. These bonds were paid off three years before they were due, saving a great deal of interest to the taxpayers. Hurrah for old Shady.

Miss Belle Shannon of Springfield who has been visiting relatives in Monett, departed Monday morning for Galveston, Tex.

Tomato yields far too small on many farms. The twomain reasons for small crops are poor plants started late in the season and deficiency of humus in the soil. Growers who are discouraged because of small yields should adopt the method recommended by Prof. Massey in this paper several weeks ago. It costs more to start plants in hotbeds and cold frames, but profits in the long run will be much greater.—Market Growers Journal.

## MURRELL'S FATE RESTS WITH JURY AT MOUNT VERNON.

Former City Marshal At Aurora Charged With Murder of Man He Had Under Arrest.

Being unable to agree upon a verdict last night the murder trial of William Murrell, a former Aurora policeman, who shot and killed Tom Miller, in Aurora, on August 18 last, the members of the jury voted a recess at midnight, and retired to sleep on improvised beds in the jury room. It is thought the panel is hopelessly divided, as they retired for their deliberation yesterday afternoon, and failed to ask for advice.

Murrell, who is defended by Attorney I. V. McPherson of Aurora, and brother, Attorney Joe McPherson, of Mount Vernon, is charged with murder in the first degree. He shot Miller, accidentally, he alleges, while the latter was intoxicated. Murrell also alleges that Miller resisted arrest by seizing an awning post and refusing to accompany the officer to the city jail. Murrell alleges he then pulled his revolver from his pocket, and that Miller, by attempting to grab it caused the accidental discharge which resulted in his death.

The evidence introduced by both the state and the defense is reported to be substantially the same.

Although Murrell was charged with murder in the first degree, as was Hiram Montgomery, of Green county. Judge Johnston's instructions dealt with second degree, murder and manslaughter in the fourth degree, as was also true in the trial of Hiram Montgomery.—Springfield Leader.

### He Knew His Friends.

"Yes, sir," boasted the hotel proprietor, "that dog's the best rat catchin' dog in the state."

Even as he spoke two big rats scurried across the office floor. The dog merely wrinkled his nose.

"Rat dog!" scoffed the traveling man. "Look at that, will you?"

"Huh!" snorted the landlord. "He knows them. But just you let a strange rat come in here once!"

—Everybody's Magazine.

### The Distinction

School Teacher—Johnny, what is a patriot?

Johnny—A man that tries to benefit his country.

School Teacher—And what is a politician?

Johnny—A man that tries to have his country benefit him.

Miss Mahoney has accepted a position at Newman's.

Miss Artie Smith has returned from a visit to her father, J. M. Smith at Jefferson City.

Mrs. Robt. Cooper has returned from a visit to relatives in Arkansas.

Rev. Fessler of Oklahoma City, preached at the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday evening.

D. S. Mayhew returned Monday from a trip down in Eastern Arkansas on legal business.

On Monday evening of last week Mrs. C. H. Fowler living three miles south of town near the Burr crossing, narrowly escaped death by making a mistake in taking a dose of strychnine in place of quinine. They had two quinine bottles on the shelf and one of them had only a small dose in it. She took all of this but afterwards decided to take another dose as she had a very bad cold and was threatened with lagrippe. She went back to the shelf and took down as she supposed the other quinine bottle and took a large dose. She felt the effects in a few moments as her limbs began to get numb and it was discovered that she had gotten the wrong bottle although it was plainly labeled. Mr. Fowler had purchased the poison to kill rats and by some unknown means it was set alongside the quinine. As soon as the mistake was discovered a doctor was called and the neighbors notified. By rubbing and the use of strong emetics, Mrs. Fowler was kept alive till the doctor arrived and he relieved her by hypodermic injections.—Fairview Globe.